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That each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in an Office communication mailed on <u>June 15, 2005</u> for the counterpart German patent application number 102004033857.4, which are

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According to the requirement set forth in 37 CFR \$1.98, the applicant is submitting a copy of the cited Japanese patent JP 63-121867 and its English language abstract to fulfill the concise explanation requirement.

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Respectfully submitted,

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